

LOCAL NEWS ITEMS

You will find the best bread in Butter Cup wrappers. 02-tf-c
Court Royals 7c each, 3 for 20c.
Alma News Co.—adv.-2w.

Henry McLaughlin was in Ithaca on business this morning.
Beech-nut and other scrap tobacco 9c, 4 for 35c at Alma News Co.—adv.-2w.

On Christmas Eve place a lighted candle in at least one window of your house.
Leo Wood left the first of the week for Flint, where he expects to be employed.

Dr. E. G. Sluyter, osteopathic physician, State Savings Bank Building, Alma, both phones. 57-tf

Join the chorus to sing Christmas carols on Christmas eve. Report at city hall at 8:30 p. m.

Is your name on the roll of the Red Cross? Remember that half of the amount is retained for local use.
L. A. Mordick, county Y. M. C. A. secretary, was in Ithaca and St. Louis on business the first three days of the week.

The Hill Crest Sunday school held their Christmas exercises Sunday afternoon and at that time everybody brings white gifts for the King.

The Ladies' Guild of the St. Johns church will give a farewell reception to Dr. and Mrs. Jackson on Tuesday evening, December 21st, at the Guild rooms. All their friends are cordially invited to be present.

Victor Crittenden and Harry Dunning of Howell spent the week end in Alma visiting with college friends. It is rather expected that these two men and also "Tommy" also of Howell, will re-enter college when the second semester opens.

Last Sunday the Baptist Sunday school voted to dispense with the usual Christmas treat and instead of spending money for candy, nuts, etc. the boys and girls are going to save their money and make an offering for the starving children of the Near East and Central Europe. A fine program is being prepared for Christmas eve, when everybody is invited to join in making white gifts for the needy. This is certainly a fine Christmas spirit.

REJECT BIDS

At an adjourned meeting of the city commission held Wednesday night bids for the sale of Alma's \$30,000 worth of water bonds, were opened and read, and on a motion the commission unanimously rejected all bids. On another motion Francis C. Hayward, city clerk, was instructed to advertise for new bids to be received up to the time of the commission meeting next Tuesday.

MILLINERY AT COST

I will close out the balance of my millinery at cost and some of it at below cost to make room for my Spring stock.
Mrs. W. F. Markham,
F. & 78-p 912 Pine Ave.
Record want ads pay.

MEET ST. LOUIS

Alma Debaters Hope to Win Second Contest Friday.

Coch VanHosen's Alma High debating team is ready for the St. Louis high school forensic artists, which are to meet the local trio Friday evening in the Alma high school auditorium in the second debate of the year for the Alma team, and expectations are that another victory will be scored.

The question to be debated between the two teams is "Resolved, that the adjustment of disputes between employers and employees should be made a part of the administration of Justice."

The visiting team will take the negative side of the question, and the Alma team the affirmative, which it also had against Elsie, when the locals won a three to naught verdict on the same proposition.

The Alma team is a strong one, being composed of three good debaters in John Holmes, Elliott Crooks and Phil Lewis, and is deserving of support from the Alma debate fans.

BAD WIND

Considerable Damage Done by Wind Monday Night.

A considerable amount of damage was done here Monday night by the high wind that continued practically unabated during the night, the greatest damage perhaps being the blowing down of a number of fine trees in various parts of the city.

In addition to a number of trees being blown down, large limbs were torn from others spoiling the symmetry of these trees.

Considerable damage was done to telephone and electric light wires in different parts of the city, and for some little time at an early hour on Tuesday morning, no electric lights were to be had in the city.

A few small buildings were damaged by the force of the wind, while at the plant of Libby, McNeill & Libby, one of the tall smokestacks was practically blown down.

CHARITY BALL

Big Charity Ball Will Be Held Here Next Wednesday.

A charity ball will be held on Wednesday evening of next week at the Post Office hall, the funds of which are to be used in aiding the destitute families of the city of Alma.

All those who are aiding in making the affair a success, even to the members of the Elk's orchestra, which will furnish the music for the evening, are donating their services, so that no expense will be incurred in putting on the event, making it certain that the entire fund will be available for the needy of Alma.

The committee on arrangements consists of William Beidler, chairman; L. E. Kettell, Glen Crisp, Earl Parker, O. W. Hayes, Arthur Simonton, Earl Medler, H. S. Babcock and J. F. Sartor.

IN THE PICTURES

Philosophers have argued at length against the proverb that clothes make the man, but it is an undeniable fact that very few South Sea Islanders acquire the dignity to match their devoutness when they accept the Christian religion. Their personal appearance make a ludicrous contrast with ministerial clothing no matter how serious they may be.

D. W. Griffith has incorporated one of these characters in his latest production, "The Idol Dancer," which will be the attraction at the Strand Theatre, Thursday and Friday. It is a love story such as could not have happened anywhere else in the world than on the South Sea, a place of adventure and romance made famous by some of the best writers in history.

Are you a Will Rogers fan? Most people are, and it is certain that still more will be after they see him in his latest picture, "Honest Hutch," which will be shown at the Strand Sunday and Monday.

"Old Hutch was so dog-goned lazy that folks used to say he wouldn't have gumption enough to say 'here' when Gabriel blew his horn! He was shiftless, sodden, grimy and unloved—until a sudden twitch in Fate's looming of his life made him upright, active and respectable."

The story of this homely miracle makes what we think is the finest comedy ever shown in this city and the most wonderful piece of acting since Joe Jefferson's "Rip Van Winkle."

FLOWERS IN DECEMBER

Mrs. George Wolfe, residing on Mechanic street can lay claim to raising panies out of doors in December, say her neighbors, who Sunday picked several of these flowers from a garden on her property. It is certainly a very exceptional winter when flowers bloom out doors on December 12. Apparently there is no good reason for going to California, when such conditions are found.

An appropriate Christmas Gift

is The

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in the State, outside \$2.50

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CHRISTMAS, SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25

Good pastry flour, per sack	\$1.30
Gold Medal, per bbl. \$11.00, per sack	\$1.40
Larabee flour, per bbl. \$12.00, per sack	\$1.50
Buckwheat flour, 10 lb. sacks	70c
Corn meal, white or yellow, per lb.	5c
Rolled oats, best quality, bulk, per lb.	5c
Rice, nice white stock, per lb.	10c
Jell-o or Jellycon, per pkg.	12c
Good Coffee, per lb.	20c, 27c and 32c
High grade coffee, per lb.	38c, 40c and 47c
New walnut meats, per lb.	60c
Granulated sugar, per lb.	10c
New Mixed Nuts, per lb. 35c, 3 pounds for	\$1.00
No. 1 California walnuts, per lb.	35c
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"I want some more."

That's the chorus you'll hear from all the family when you give them our delicious Bread, Rolls, Pies, Etc.

Your Merry Christmas is Merrier
when you have—

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Your Best
FOOD
Eat More
BUTTER-NUT

Lots of Good Things to Eat

from our bakery—we bake them—also Butternut Bread. Your New Year will be happy all through if you help to make it so. Don't forget us when you want good Bakery Goods.

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Phone No. 3

Alma, Mich.

216 E. Superior St.

Christmas Greetings

For the Christmas Gift this year perhaps more than in past years you should give something useful because we must spend our money wisely. A glance through our complete stock will show you many articles that could be used year after year with pleasure

May yours be a very Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

G. V. WRIGHT

ALMA, MICH.